



Three commanding four-star officers

Pictured, clockwise, are three four-star officers; General Johnnie E. Wilson, U.S. Army; Admiral J. Paul Reason, U.S. Navy; and General Lloyd W. "Fig" Newton, U.S. Air Force. As of September 1998, with General Wilson's appointment as commander of the Army Materiel Command, Alexandria, Va., this marks the first time that the three military departments have had African Americans as (major command) commanders at the same time. General Newton is commander of the Air Education and Training Command, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas; and Admiral Reason is commander of the Atlantic Fleet in Norfolk, Va., and the first African-American four-star admiral. Photos Courtesy of the Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense Public Affairs and the Defense Technical Information Center.